IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:) Art Unit 3738 Williams, et al. Our Ref. 9896.143.0 09/519,246 Serial No. I hereby certify that this correspondence is being: deposited with the United States Postal Service as first-class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner Filed: 6 March 2000 of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, D.C. 20231 [] facsimile transmitted to the Patent and Trademark For: **ENDOVASCULAR GRAFT COATINGS** [] hand delivered to the Patent and Trademark Office To: Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.97(e)(2)

This certification is being made for the Information Disclosure Statement accompanying this certification. I, Philip M. Goldman, hereby certify that each item of information contained in the Information Disclosure Statement filed herewith was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

Dated: (0A)6 2001

(1 1). MA

Respectfully submitted

Philip M. Goldman

Registration No. 31,162

Fredrikson & Byron, P.A.

1100 International Centre 900 Second Avenue South

Minneapolis, MN 55402-3397

(612) 347-7088

#5 04-20-03 3738

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

) Art Unit 3738 In Re Application of: Williams, et al. Our Ref. 9896.143.0 09/519,246 Serial No. I hereby certify that this correspondence is being: deposited with the United States Postal Service as first-Filed: 6 March 2000 class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, D.C. 20231 For: **ENDOVASCULAR GRAFT** [] facsimile transmitted to the Patent and Trademark **COATINGS** [] hand delivered to the Patent and Trademark Office **Assistant Commissioner for Patents** To: Washington, D.C. 20231

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

SIR:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure, a completed Form PTO-1449 is enclosed.

Consideration of the listed reference by the Examiner is respectfully requested. Applicant also respectfully requests that an initialed copy of Form PTO-1449 indicating such consideration be returned with the next Official Action, as set forth in MPEP 609. Attached hereto are copies of the following references. Also enclosed is a copy of PCT Search Report Form PCT/ISA/220 listing these references.

US Patent No. 4,326,532 (Hammar)

US Patent No. 4,822,361 (Okita et al.)

EP 0 608 095 (Medtronic, Inc.)

SEP 0 4 2001 TECHNOLOGY CENTER R3700

By submitting these references, applicant does not admit that the references are prior art to or material to this application, and reserves the right to establish that any reference is not prior

art. Applicant does not represent that the references have been reviewed in detail; there may be details in the references of which applicant is unaware.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fees required to Deposit Account No. 061910. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Dated: 10AU6 2001

h. 1/2 1101

Respectfully submitted,

Philip M. Goldman

Reg. No. 31,162

Fredrikson & Byron, P.A. 1100 International Centre 900 Second Avenue South Minneapolis, MN 55402

(612) 347-7088

PMG/SUPP IDS 09/519,246 2546308

مست بريد